

# It Pays to Protect the Birds: Estimated Costs of Collision-Proofing Skywalks on USU Campus

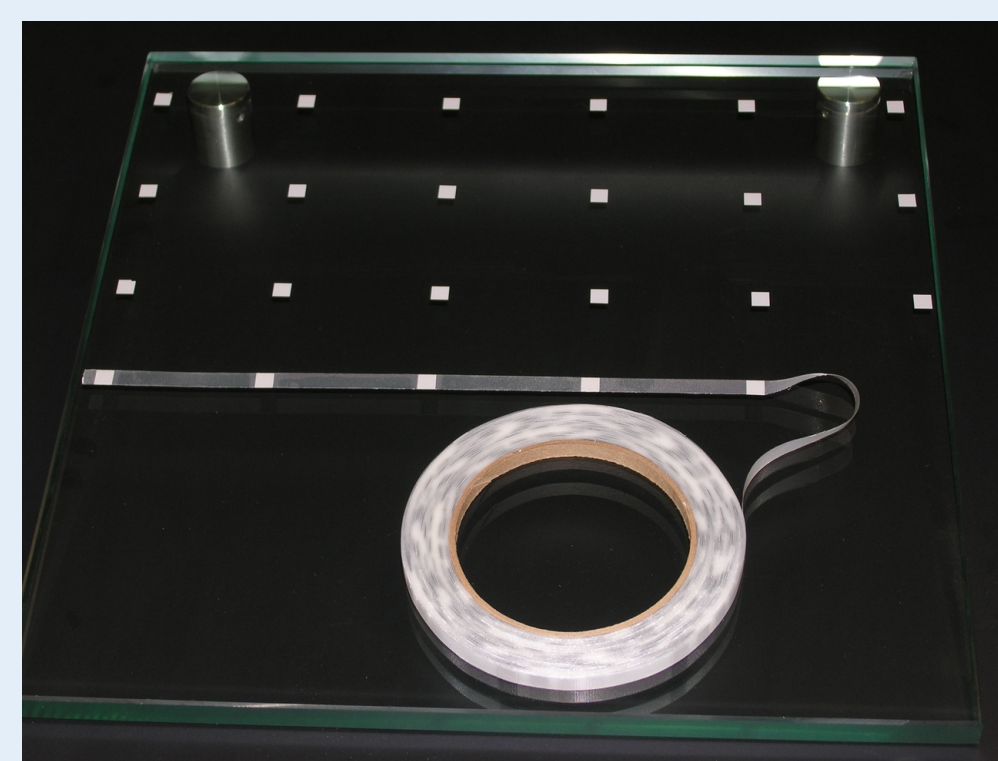
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## Potential Solutions To Bird Collisions

### Feather Friendly

- Lasts up to 8 years
- Looks like a grid of white dots
- Allows for nearly clear viewing
- Costs \$1.01 per square foot



## Biology and Natural Resources Skywalk

Two strikes reported by census since January 2017

- One-time installation cost: **\$795**
- 30-year projected cost: **\$3,179**



## Engineering Skywalk

23 strikes reported by census since January 2017

- One-time installation cost: **\$644**
- 30-year projected cost: **\$2,577**



### CollidEscape

- Lasts up to 10 years
- Options include standard white, tinted, clear, patterned, and imaged
- Allows for nearly clear viewing from inside
- Costs \$3.50 - \$5.50 per square foot



### CollidEscape Standard White

- One-time installation cost: **\$2,744**
- 30-year projected cost: **\$8,232**

### CollidEscape Clear

- One-time installation cost: **\$3,528**
- 30-year projected cost: **\$10,584**

### CollidEscape Tinted/Patterned

- One-time installation cost: **\$4,312**
- 30-year projected cost: **\$12,936**

### CollidEscape Standard White

- One-time installation cost: **\$2,224**
- 30-year projected cost: **\$6,673**

### CollidEscape Clear

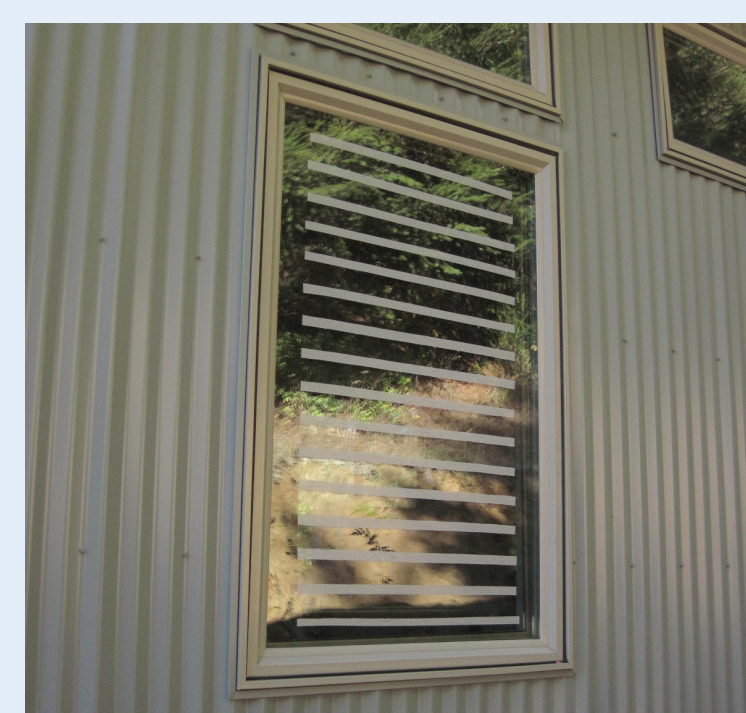
- One-time installation cost: **\$2,860**
- 30-year projected cost: **\$8,579**

### CollidEscape Tinted/Patterned

- One-time installation cost: **\$3,495**
- 30-year projected cost: **\$10,486**

### ABC Bird Tape

- Lasts up to 4 years
- Options include horizontal, vertical, or diagonal stripes, or squares
- Somewhat obstructive to viewing
- Costs \$1.06 - \$2.24 per square foot



### Vertical Stripes

- One-time installation cost: **\$838**
- 30-year projected cost: **\$5,865**

### Horizontal Stripes

- One-time installation cost: **\$1,756**
- 30-year projected cost: **\$12,292**

### Diagonal Stripes

- One-time installation cost: **\$1,337**
- 30-year projected cost: **\$9,359**



Post-strike bird carcasses found near the ENLAB-SER skywalk in January.

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